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INFO AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: SUSPENSION OF PAN AMERICAN SERVICE TO
TAIPEI AND NAHA

REF: NAHA 426

1. ASSURE INQUIRERS THAT USG AND U.S. AIRLINE INDUSTRY
HAVE NO INTENTION OF CUTTING BACK OR TERMINATING SERVICE
TO NAHA. NORTHWEST AND FLYING TIGER CONTINUE TO
OPERATE AND PAN AM ONLY SUSPENDED SERVICE BECAUSE OF COURT
ORDER ON CAB DECISION APPROVING TWA-PAA ROUTE SWAP. TWA
IS NOT IN POSITION TO RENEW SERVICE AT PRESENT TIME. NOT
ONLY ARE AIRCRAFT UNAVAILABLE BUT ALSO COURT ORDER DID
NOT RETURN OTHER PACIFIC POINTS WHICH WOULD MAKE TWA
SERVICE TO NAHA/TAIPEI ECONOMIC. FYI: TWA CONTINUES TO
HAVE LONG TERM INTEREST IN PACIFIC. END FYI.

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2. CONGEN CORRECT IN DESCRIBING THIS MATTER AS DOMESTIC

COURT CASE; IN NO WAY DOES IT RELATE TO U.S.-JAPAN CIVIL AIR
NEGOTIATIONS.

3. PAN AM HAS REQUESTED "EMERGENCY" CAB HEARING SPECIFICALLY ON NAHA/TAIPEI PROBLEM IN HOPE OF REGAINING SERVICE. THIS HEARING MAY BE HELD AS EARLY AS SEPT. 3.

4. LONG TERM SOLUTION WILL BE ACHIEVED THROUGH REGULAR CAB PROCEEDING ON TWA-PAA ROUTE SWAP WHICH SHOULD SATISFY COURT OBJECTION THAT BOARD HAD NOT ALLOWED SUFFICIENT TIME TO OPPOSITION IN ITS APPROVAL OF EXCHANGE. ALTHOUGH DECISION WILL BE "EXPEDITED", NO FORECAST CAN BE MADE REGARDING DATE. HEARING IS SCHEDULED FOR SEPTEMBER 8. ROBINSON

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